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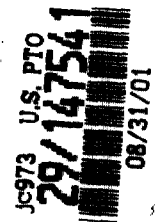
1. Name of conveying party(ies):

Ruth L. Levy
Robert T. Cole
John M. Harriz
Elizabeth C. Miller

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2. Name and address of receiving party(ies)

Name: **Confab Services AG**



3. Nature of conveyance: **Assignment**

Street Address: **Schwertstrasse 9
CH-8201 Schaffhausen
Switzerland**

Execution Date: August 28, 2001

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes No

4. This document is being filed together with a new application, the execution date of this application is: Aug. 28, 2001

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5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning documents should be mailed:

**F. Brad Salcedo
Tyco Healthcare Group LP/Switzerland
15 Hampshire Street
Mansfield, MA 02048**

6. Total number of applications and patents involved: 1

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41): \$320.00

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Name

Signature

Date

F. Brad Salcedo

August 28, 2001

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Mail documents to be recorded with required cover sheet information to:
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ASSIGNMENT OF INVENTION

WHEREAS, We, Ruth L. Levy, residing in Collegetown, Pennsylvania, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Robert T. Cole, residing in Jackson, New Jersey, State of New Jersey, John M. Harriz, residing in Glen Mills, Pennsylvania, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Elizabeth C. Miller, residing in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania have made a certain new, original and ornamental design in an ABSORBENT ARTICLE WITH HATCH DESIGN and are about to apply for Design Letters Patent of the United States cased thereon;

WHEREAS, I, Ruth L. Levy, am an employee of Confab Holding Corp. d/b/a Kendall Confab Retail Group, a company affiliated with CONFAB SERVICES, AG, a corporation of Switzerland having a business address of Schwertstrasse 9, CH-8200 Schaffhausen, Switzerland (hereinafter "CONFAB SERVICES, AG");

WHEREAS, I, Robert T. Cole, am an employee of Confab Holding Corp. d/b/a Kendall Confab Retail Group, a company affiliated with CONFAB SERVICES, AG, a corporation of Switzerland having a business address of Schwerstrasse 9, CH-8200, Schaffhausen, Switzerland (hereinafter "CONFAB SERVICES, AG");

WHEREAS, I, John M. Harriz, am an employee of Confab Holding Corp. d/b/a Kendall Confab Retail Group, a company affiliated with CONFAB SERVICES, AG, a corporation of Switzerland having a business address of Schwerstrasse 9, CH-8200, Schaffhausen, Switzerland (hereinafter "CONFAB SERVICES, AG");

WHEREAS, I, Elizabeth C. Miller, am an employee of Confab Holding Corp. d/b/a Kendall Confab Retail Group, a company affiliated with CONFAB SERVICES, AG, a corporation of Switzerland having a business address of Schwerstrasse 9, CH-8200, Schaffhausen, Switzerland (hereinafter "CONFAB SERVICES, AG");

WHEREAS, CONFAB SERVICES, AG is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the design and all improvements thereon which may be made, conceive or acquire by us during the course of our association with Confab Holding Corp., aforesaid and for one year thereafter, in and throughout the United States, its territories and all countries foreign thereto, and in and to said application for Design Letters Patent and in and to any and all Design Letters Patent of the United States and all countries foreign thereto which have been granted or may be granted on said design or any part thereof, or any improvements thereon.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00), and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, We, Ruth L. Levy, Robert T. Cole, John M. Harriz and Elizabeth C. Miller, by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto the said CONFAB

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SERVICES, AG, aforesaid our entire right, title and interest in and throughout the United States, its territories and all countries foreign thereto in and to said design and any improvements thereon which may be made, conceived or acquired by us during the course of our association with the said Confab Holding Corp., and for one year thereafter, in and to said application for Design Letters Patent and any and all Design Letters Patent and extensions thereof, of the United States and countries foreign thereto which have been or may be granted on said design or any part thereof, or improvements thereon or on said application, or any divisional, continuing, renewal, reissue, or other application and all international priority rights associated therewith, based in whole or in part thereon, or based upon said design, or any improvements thereon;

TO BE HELD AND ENJOYED by the said CONFAB SERVICES, AG and its legal representatives and assigns to the full ends of the terms for which said Design Letters Patent, or any of them, have granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by us had no sale and assignment of said interest been made; and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue any and all Design Letter Patent which may be granted upon the said application above referred to, or any of them, or upon said design or any part thereof, or upon any improvements thereon which may be made, conceived or acquired by us during the course of our association with Confab Holding Corp. and for one year thereafter, to CONFAB SERVICES, AG aforesaid, and we hereby agree for ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, to execute without further consideration, any further legal documents and any further assignments and any releases, reissues, renewals or other application for Design Letters Patent that may be deemed necessary by the Assignee herein named, fully to secure to the said Assignee its interest as aforesaid in and to said design or any part thereof of any improvements thereon, and in and to said several Design Letters Patent, or any of them.

We do hereby covenant for ourselves and our legal representatives, and agree with CONFAB SERVICES, AG, and its legal representatives, that we have granted no license to make or sell the said design, that prior to the execution of this deed my right, title and interest in the said design has not been encumbered, that we then had good right and title in and to the design and that we have not executed and will not execute any instrument in conflict therewith.

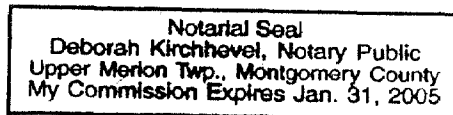
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Ruth L. Levy have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this 27 day of August, 2001.

Ruth L. Levy

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:
: SS
COUNTY OF Montgomery:

Before me personally appeared said Ruth L. Levy and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 27th day of August, 2001.

Deborah Kirchhevel (SEAL)
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Robert T. Cole have hereunto affixes my hand and seal this 27 day of AUGUST, 2001.

Robert T. Cole

STATE OF NEW JERSEY:
: SS
COUNTY OF Ocean:

Before me personally appeared said Robert T. Cole and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 27th day of August, 2001.

Deborah Kirchhevel (SEAL)
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, John M. Harriz have hereunto affixes my hand and seal this 27 day of August, 2001.

John M. Harriz

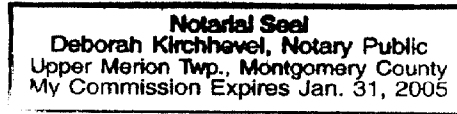
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:

: SS

COUNTY OF Delaware:

Before me personally appeared said John M. Harriz and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 27th day of August, 2001.

Deborah Kirchhevel (SEAL)
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, Elizabeth C. Miller have hereunto affixes my hand and seal this 27 day of August, 2001.

Elizabeth C. Miller

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA:

: SS

COUNTY OF Montgomery:

Before me personally appeared said Elizabeth C. Miller and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed this 27th day of August, 2001.

Deborah Kirchhevel (SEAL)
Notary Public
My Commission Expires:

